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**CONFIDENTIAL  
MEMORANDUM**

**TO: EXEC - Ambassador Albright**

**THROUGH: EXEC - Ambassador Gnehm**

**RELEASED IN FULL**

**FROM: POL - Cameron Hume** *CH*

**SUBJECT: Rwanda: 10/11 Security Council Informals**

**BACKGROUND**

Today's discussion will center around the new SYG report. The Report contains a comprehensive update of UNAMIR operations, humanitarian programs, and the financial situation.

The report does not substantively address the urgent issue of security in the refugee camps. In last week's meeting with an inter-agency delegation (led by Dick Clarke), U/SYG Annan said that the Joint Commission would release a detailed report on this topic within 10-22 days.

The report does requests that the Council formally authorize a police training mission for UNAMIR (it has already been doing so without a mandate). The report does not give many details on this program, however, and you should request more details before the Security Council formally endorses a new mandate.

**TALKING POINTS**

- o Let me thank the SYG for this useful and timely report.

**SECURITY IN THE CAMPS**

- o It does not substantively address the issue of providing security for refugees in the camps.
- o However, I understand that a separate report of the Joint Commission will address this problem and will be submitted within the next 10 days.

**HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS**

- o I am pleased to note that UNAMIR is now assisting the 31 human rights monitors in Rwanda. It is critical to deploy all 147 monitors as soon as possible. We have pledged \$750,000 toward this goal, I urge others to contribute as well.

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#### INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL

- o Another means of curbing human rights abuses is an early convening of the international tribunal. Thus, I am also pleased to see that the report endorses the recommendations of the Commission of Experts.

#### ARREARS

- o The report also makes clear the urgent need for funds so that the government can pay for basic goods and services.
- o We have pledged \$2M toward clearing up Rwanda's \$7.2M arrears. If a few other nations also donate a similar sum, the Rwandese people will benefit from a substantial World Bank Loan.

#### RECONCILIATION

- o At the same time, I believe that the report rightly reminds the Government of Rwanda to promote reconciliation with all elements of Rwandese society and uphold the principles of the Arusha Accord.

#### CIVILIAN POLICE

- o Another element in Rwanda's reconstruction is training a new civilian police force.
- o I am interested in the report's proposal along these lines --but I think we need a more complete picture of what the SYG has in mind and the resource implications, before authorizing this new mission for UNAMIR.

#### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

- o Finally, I am pleased to see that the report endorses the idea of an international conference to address the problems of the subregion.

#### EARLY REPORT ON REFUGEES

- o Of course, one of the principle problems is refugee repatriation and security in the camps. Thus, I would again urge the SYG to release a substantive report on this topic as soon as possible.

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